



STATE OF WASHINGTON
DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES
Aging and Long-Term Support Administration
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ALTSA: NH #2016-010
CR-103E FILED TO EXTEND EMERGENCY RULES ON
CHAPTER 388-97 WAC - NURSING HOMES

Dear Nursing Facility/Home Administrator:

In July 2015, a CR-101 was filed and a letter was sent notifying nursing homes of proposed revisions to 388-97 WAC to assure compliance with the legislation of House Bill 1274 and Substitute Senate Bill 5600.

As a result of a delay in rule development, a CR-103E was filed in December 2015 establishing emergency rules related to House Bill 1274 and Senate Bill 5600.

The current emergency rules are set to expire. Due to continued stakeholder work and legislative proposals, an extension of the emergency rules has been filed and will become effective on April 28, 2016.

The CR-103E document can be found on the Aging and Long-Term Support Administration (ALTSA) internet website at <http://www.dshs.wa.gov/altsa/residential-care-services/information-nursing-home-professionals> under "NH Rule Filings".

Please check the ALTSA website to review the emergency rule language. For rule making questions, please contact Amy Abbott, Nursing Home Policy Program Manager, at (360) 725-2581.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the health and safety of nursing home residents.

Sincerely,

Candace Goehring, Director
Residential Care Services

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